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Applicant has carefully considered the above identified Office Action, and in response thereto is addressing each issue raised by the examiner in the remarks hereinbelow. In this regard, applicant is canceling without prejudice claims 1 - 4; and adding claims 5 - 21.

Information Disclosure Statement

Applicant is enclosing an information disclosure statement incorporating the patents disclosed in the specification. A copy of each foreign patent will also be supplied.

Drawings

The specification explains how the reverse gearing 7 is integrated into the rear CVRT on page 6, lines 2 and 17. Applicant has inserted the numeral "6" on page 6, line 22 after the words, "meshed gears." Applicant has removed the two instances of the numeral "5" from figure 1 with the cutting line. Applicant is supplying a replacement sheet for figure 1.

Claims Rejections 35 USC 112

Applicant has canceled without prejudice claims 1 – 4 and hired a registered patent attorney to supply new claims 5 – 21.

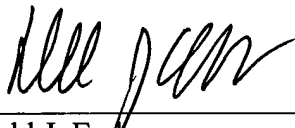
Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant agrees with examiner that there is patentable subject matter disclosed in the specification.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully submitted that applicant has responded in a fully satisfactory manner to all matters at issue in this application, and this application is now in condition for allowance. In this regard, applicant has made every effort to comply with the requirements set forth in this Office Action as well as statutory requirements. Accordingly, applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner enter this amendment, allow the claims, and pass this application on to issue.

Respectfully submitted,



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